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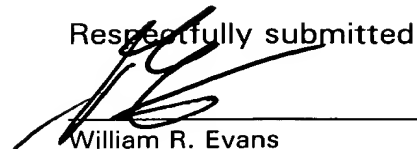
The rejection of the claims under 35 USC 102 from the applicant's cited Sundholm reference is traversed on the basis of the amendment of claim 1 above to further limit the volume of the extinguishing medium source from a "substantial extent" to "consist essentially of" a volume of a long tube of a tube system that leads the extinguishing medium to the spray heads. Such narrowing of a prior limitation is permitted now, after the final action.

The now-claimed limitation that the volume of the extinguishing liquid source consists essentially of the long tube volume substantially excludes other extinguishing liquid source volumes. See, MPEP page 2100-39 (MPEP 2111.03).

The Sundholm reference contrarily discloses substantial other extinguishing liquid sources in the four (4) liquid spaces 6 of the four (4) accumulators 2 of Fig. 1. Such contrary disclosure of the Sundholm reference cannot be ignored (see, MPEP pages 2100-95 and 2100-96 (MPEP 2141.02)) and, therefore, traverses the rejection.

Reconsideration and allowance are, therefore, requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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